

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**GILA COUNTY, ARIZONA**

Date: January 20, 2004

**RONALD A. CHRISTENSEN**

Chairman

**JOHN F. NELSON**

Clerk of the Board

**JOSÉ M. SANCHEZ**

Vice-Chairman

By: Marian Sheppard  
Chief Deputy Clerk

**CRUZ SALAS**

Member

Gila County Courthouse  
Globe, Arizona

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PRESENT: José M. Sanchez, Vice-Chairman; Cruz Salas, Member; John F. Nelson, County Manager/Clerk; and, Bryan Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> Chief Deputy County Attorney.

The Gila County Board of Supervisors met in Regular Session at 10:00 a.m. this date. Steven L. Besich led the Pledge of Allegiance and Jeremy Goodman delivered the Invocation.

Upon motion by Supervisor Salas, seconded by Vice-Chairman Sanchez, the Board excused Chairman Christensen from today's meeting in order to attend to other County business. Vice-Chairman Sanchez chaired the remainder of the meeting.

At this time each Board member presented a brief summary of current events as allowed by A.R.S. §38-431.02(K). No action was taken on any items that were presented.

Steve Sanders, Public Works Division Deputy Director, requested the Board's acceptance or rejection of a Citizen's Petition to establish a portion of Westridge Drive situated in an unincorporated area of Globe, Arizona, as a Country Dirt Road. Mr. Sanders advised that the unimproved dirt road services 9 parcels of land. Upon motion by Supervisor Salas, seconded by Chairman Sanchez, the Board accepted the Citizen's Petition.

Mr. Sanders requested the Board's acceptance or rejection of a Citizen's Petition to establish a portion of Ice House Canyon Road as shown on Record of Survey numbers 2502 A, B, C, and D, Gila County Records, as a County Highway. He advised that many years ago the Engineering Department conducted a survey on the subject road when Ice House Canyon Road was adopted as a County Highway; however, due to a survey error this particular portion of road was mistakenly omitted from the resolution adopting the road as a County Highway. Mr. Sanders also advised that the individual showing ownership of the subject portion of land agreed to deed the land to the County with the condition that the total amount of back taxes owed be waived. Mr. Sanders requested the Board's acceptance of the Citizen's Petition, a waiver of the back taxes, and that a public hearing date and time be set for February 3, 2004, at 10:40 a.m. Supervisor Salas advised that the Board must accept this Citizen's Petition so as not to adversely affect the water installation project ongoing in that area. Upon motion by Supervisor Salas, seconded by Chairman Sanchez, the Board unanimously accepted the Citizen's Petition, waived all past due back taxes, and set the public hearing date and time as stated above.

Steve Besich, Deputy County Manager, requested the approval of the following actions pertaining to flood damage that occurred in the Roosevelt Lake Estates area in September 2003, as follows: A) Authorize the Gila County Division of Emergency Management to proceed with the ADEM (Arizona Department of Emergency Management)/FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) buy-out application; B) authorize the use of the reimbursement funds from the Governor's Office and ADEM in the sum of \$77,212 for buy-out matching purposes; C) direct County Management on how to proceed with damages in Wildcat Wash per NRCS's (National Resources Conservation Service) written recommendations; and, D) officially encourage all residents in flood prone areas of Gila County to purchase National Flood Insurance before events occur. He advised that the County continues to make

efforts to help three families that were most severely affected by the flood. Mr. Besich stated that within the next couple of weeks FEMA will issue a ruling on the County's buy-out offer on these three properties. If approved, FEMA will issue \$319,583 in funding from the State with a requirement that Gila County must provide a 25% cash match, or \$106,528. The Gila County Emergency Management Division secured an additional \$77,212 in reimbursement from the Governor's Office which will be applied to the cash matching requirement, if this action is approved by the Board. Mr. Besich stated that if FEMA issues the funds, land appraisals will be conducted on the three properties. The appraisal figures will then be presented to the three land owners. The land owners have the option of accepting the appraisal amount or obtaining an outside appraisal. Mr. Besich provided an update on the cleanup efforts conducted to date. He provided the Board with a calculation for the cost of floodplain insurance on an \$80,000 home which would be approximately \$34 per month. Supervisor Salas advised that he feels the biggest oversight made by the Board during the 1993 Hayden-Winkelman flood was not encouraging residents living in a floodplain to purchase floodplain insurance. He stated, "I doubt that the County will be able to provide assistance as in the past, unless flooding causes a total disaster and FEMA pays 100%." Supervisor Salas urged residents living in the subject area to purchase floodplain insurance.

Chairman Sanchez asked for clarification on item 5C. Mr. Besich advised that today's request is for the Board to authorize the Engineering Department to look at Wildcat Wash to determine the direction in which the County will proceed. He further advised that once a plan of action is determined, the next step will be for the Board of Supervisors to determine the source of funding for the cash matching funding requirement. The following step will be to present an Agreement to the Board which outlines the repairs and maintenance to be made to the dike(s). Chairman Sanchez opened the meeting for public comment at this time. Bruce Bunch, Dan Adams, Randy Johnston and Allen Ross provided comments on the information presented. The topic of the

discussion focused on the different dikes that are in need of repair, and who has responsibility for paying for these repairs and providing future maintenance on the dikes. Upon motion by Supervisor Salas, seconded by Chairman Sanchez, the Board approved the requested actions as follows: A) The Board authorized the Gila County Division of Emergency Management to proceed with the ADEM/FEMA buy-out application; B) the Board authorized the use of reimbursement funds from the Governor's Office and ADEM in the sum of \$77,212 for buy-out matching purposes; C) the Board directed the Engineering Department to assess damages at Wildcat Wash and report the findings to the Board in order to determine a future plan of action; and, D) the Board officially encouraged all residents living in flood prone areas of Gila County to purchase National Flood Insurance before events occur.

Upon motion by Supervisor Salas, seconded by Chairman Sanchez, the Board approved all Consent Agenda items, as follows:

- A. Adoption of an Order appointing election workers and designating polling places for the February 3, 2004, Presidential Preference Election.
- B. Appointment of Mark Marcanti to the Industrial Development Authority of Gila County through May 8, 2007.
- C. Approval of Amendment No. 1 to an Intergovernmental Agreement, Contract No. E7204007, between the Clerk of the Superior Court and the Arizona Department of Economic Security, Division of Child Support Enforcement, to add one IV-D Clerk position which changes the contract reimbursement ceiling from \$815,669.80 to \$837,702.80.
- D. Approval of Amendment No. 5 to RFQVA Contract No. DDD-704011 between the Arizona Department of Economic Security, Division of Developmental Disabilities, and the Gila County GEST Department amending contract service specifications.
- E. Approval of Amendment No. 2 to PY2003 WIA Title I Contract No. E5704004 between the Health and Community Services Division and the Arizona

Department of Economic Security decreasing the contract amount from \$2,236,107 to \$2,201,107.

- F. Approval of Amendment No. 8 to an Intergovernmental Agreement, Contract No. E6301005, between the Health and Community Services Division and the Arizona Department of Economic Security to revise the Itemized Service Budget of Case Management and Community Services.
- G. Adoption of Resolution No. 04-01-02 naming the following roads: Quail Trail, Broken Trail, Harmony Hill, Horseshoe Bend, Roper Lane, Walnut Lane, Falling Star Drive, Charlene's Lane, Switchman Lane, and Big Al's Run.
- H. Adoption of Resolution No. 04-01-03 approving the installation of stop signs at the following intersections: Cozy Court at Buckhorn Trail, Forest Road 604 at Greenback Valley Road, Cline Boulevard at Bouquet Ranch Road, Devil Dog Road at Dryer Drive, and Moose Point Road at Dryer Drive.
- I. Adoption of Resolution No. 04-01-04 approving the installation of stop signs at the following intersections: Stetson Drive at Buckboard Trail, Old Meadow Lane at Chuckwagon Trail, and Old Meadow Lane at Saddlehorn Lane.
- J. Adoption of Resolution No. 04-01-05 approving the installation of a stop sign at the intersection of Lucky Lane at Deer Creek Drive.
- K. Adoption of Resolution No. 04-01-06 approving the installation of a stop sign at the intersection of Saffron Drive at Green Avenue.
- L. Approval of December 2003 monthly departmental activity reports submitted by the Clerk of the Superior Court, Globe Regional Justice of the Peace, and, Globe and Payson Regional Constables.
- M. Approval of the January 6, 2004, BOS minutes.
- N. Approval of the finance reports/demands/transfers for the weeks of January 13, 2004, and January 20, 2004, as follows:

**January 13, 2004** –

\$641,377.64 disbursed for County expenses by claim numbers X137833 through X137981 and X346876 through X347102.

**January 20, 2004 –**

\$388,031.78 disbursed for County expenses by claim numbers X137982 through X138024 and X347104 through X347402.

**(An itemized list of vouchers is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors office.)**

- O. Approval of personnel reports/actions for the weeks of January 13, 2004, and January 20, 2004, as follows:

**January 13, 2004 –**

Departure from County Service:

1. Clerk II – Recorder – 01-05-04 – General Fund - Karline Brown – Hire 09-22-03 – Failure to complete probation
2. Legal Secretary II – County Attorney – 12-31-03 – General Fund - Shelby Lopez – Part time position
3. Laborer – Constituent Services III – 01-16-04 – Constituent Services Fund - Joe Munoz – Temporary position
4. Treasurer Assistant – Treasurer – 12-31-03 – General Fund - JoAnn Holloway

Hire to County Service:

5. Clerk II – Recorder – 01-12-04 – General Fund - Sadie Jo Tomerlin-Dalton – replaces Karline Brown

Temporary Hire to County Service:

6. Laborer – Constituent Services II – 01-26-04 – Constituent Services Fund - Joe Stapleton

End Probationary Period:

7. Administrative Assistant – Library District – 12-29-03 – Library District Fund - Mary Stemm
8. Coordinator of Community Education – Community College – 01-01-04 – College Fund - Misty Albertson

9. Librarian – Community College – 01-01-04 – College Fund - Carol Ann Ciallella

Position Review:

10. Market Adjustment – Information Technology Manager – Information Technology – 01-12-04 – Information Technology fund – Jeremy Goodman

11. Change Fund Codes – Deputy Probation Officer I – Probation – 01-12-04 – Adult Probation Service Fees Fund – Derek Glendale

12. Reclassification – District Services Coordinator to Administrative Assistant – Consolidated Roads – 01-12-04 – Consolidated Roads Fund – Pat Wentz

13. Salary Adjustment – Administrative Assistant – Consolidated Roads – 01-12-04 – Consolidated Roads Fund – Nyra Hillary

14. Increase based on certification – Building and Zoning Inspector – Community Development – 01-12-04 – General Fund – Debbie Fickel

15. Anniversary Date Increase – 12-29-03 – Darryl Griffin, Larry Dorame, Trena Grantham

16. Anniversary Date Increase – 01-12-04 – Gabriel Eylicio, Judy Waggoner, Emma Yeoman

17. Anniversary Date Increase – 01-26-04 – Vicki DeAnda, Patricia Campos, Misti Williams, Diana Barrett

18. Cost of Living Adjustment – 01-12-04 – Hazel Dillon, Debra Moya, Nancy Ellsworth, Anita Escobedo, Debora Savage, Teri Powell

19. Status Change from Acting to Permanent - Salary Adjustment – County Manager/Clerk of BOS – Board of Supervisors – 01-12-04 – General Fund – John Nelson

20. Salary Adjustment – Assistant County Manager/County Librarian – Library District – 01-12-04 – Library District Fund – Jacque Griffin

21. Salary Adjustment – Administrative Services Manager – Board of Supervisors – 01-12-04 – General Fund – Janice Cook

22. Salary Adjustment – District Services Coordinator – Board of Supervisors  
– 01-12-04 – General Fund – Jo Johnson
23. Salary Adjustment – Executive Secretary – Board of Supervisors – 01-12-  
04 – General Fund – Stacey Espinoza
24. Salary Adjustment – Administrative Tax Collector – Treasurer – 01-12-04  
– General Fund – Martha Gonzales
25. Salary Adjustment – Administrative Accountant – Treasurer – 01-12-04 –  
General Fund - Pam Alvino
26. Salary Adjustment – Administrative Accounting Assistant – Treasurer –  
01-12-04 – General Fund - Michele Epperson
27. Salary Adjustment – Tax Specialist/Cashier – Treasurer – 01-12-04 –  
General Fund - Sherry Jiminez
28. Salary Adjustment – Tax Specialist/Cashier – Treasurer – 01-12-04 –  
General Fund - Peggy Cox

#### SHERIFF'S PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS

##### Departure from County Service:

29. Detention Officer – Globe S.O. – 01-05-04 – General Fund - Connie  
Thompson – Hire 12-15-03 – Failure to complete probation

##### Hire to County Service:

30. Detention Officer – Globe S.O. – 01-12-04 – General Fund - Jared  
Osborn – replaces Connie Thompson
31. Detention Officer – Payson S.O. – 01-12-04 – General Fund - Orson  
Branch – replaces Robert Brier

##### Position Review:

32. Change Fund Code – Dispatcher-911 – Globe S.O. – 01-05-04 – General  
Fund - Susan Aceves
33. Change Fund Code – Dispatcher/Communications Supervisor – Payson  
S.O. – 01-05-04 – General Fund – James Day

#### **January 20, 2004 –**

##### End Probationary Period:



1. Road Maintenance Worker II – Consolidated Roads – 01-26-04 – Road Fund - Brian Jennings – Additional increase based on licensing as Evasive Weed Control Technician

Position Review:

2. Reclassification – Administrative Secretary to Executive Assistant – Emergency Management – 01-20-04 – Emergency Mgmt./Professional Services Funds – Linda Rodriguez
3. Salary Adjustment – County Surveyor – Engineering – 01-26-04 – Engineering Fund – Rick Bunker – increase based on additional responsibilities
4. Anniversary Date Increase – 12-29-03 – Patrice Buzan, Pamela Valencia, Robert Vindiola
5. Anniversary Date Increase – 01-12-04 – Bill Ihrig

Request Permission to Post:

6. Payroll Specialist – Finance – position vacated by Daphne Stevens
- SHERIFF'S PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS

Hire to County Service:

7. Deputy Sheriff – Globe S.O. – 01-26-04 – General Fund - Charlie Links – replaces Dan Alonzo

Upon motion by Supervisor Salas, seconded by Chairman Sanchez, the Board convened into Executive Session at 11:08 a.m. to seek legal advice and to give direction to the County Attorney's office on how to proceed with Nextel West Corporation v. Arizona Department of Revenue, et al TX2003-000678/TAX03-0443.

Upon motion by Supervisor Salas, seconded by Chairman Sanchez, the Board reconvened into the regular session at 11:27 a.m.

Upon motion by Supervisor Salas, seconded by Chairman Sanchez, the Board directed the County Attorney's office to request the State of Arizona Attorney General's Office to represent Gila County in the lawsuit of Nextel West

Corporation v. Arizona Department of Revenue, et al TX2003-000678/TAX03-0443.

Upon motion by Supervisor Salas, seconded by Chairman Sanchez, the Board adjourned the meeting at 11:28 a.m.

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José M. Sanchez, Acting Chairman

ATTEST:

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John F. Nelson, County Manager/Clerk